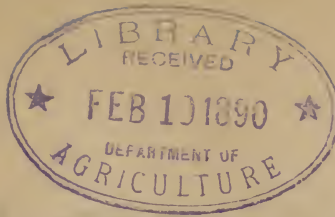


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## AND NEW FARM.

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For The Maryland Farmer.

### COMMISSION MEN.

mr. editor.

i want to rite for my nabor told me you was willing to do sunthin to help any farmer. i druv into town with 20 bushel of pertaters 16 pounds of butter and 6 duzen eggs. Wen about a mile from town a runner stoped me and asked wot I had got. i told him and he sed he wanted to by. he sed the pertaters was wurth 20 cents a bushel the eggs 20 cents a duzen and the butter 9 cents a pound. i stoped and sed id go back home. he then sed pertaters was lukiug up a little and his house mite give 25 cents a bushel. Well i druv to his house and shuvelled my per-taters into his barls and give him my butter and eggs. got 25 cents for pertaters and the price was 50 cents and the butter ort to bin 14 cents eggs 24 cents. now mr. editor wot can i do to git rite with that commissioner chap.

Samuel Tucker.

The above letter comes to us without

any date, but postmarked in Howard Co. We publish it just as received not to take any exceptions to its form or spelling, capitals or punctuation; but to show the rightful indignation of an honest hard-working man who has been victimised by a system which we had supposed had belonged to the past.

We do not think there are many houses in our city who are now carrying out this plan of meeting incoming farmers and buying up their loads at greatly reduced prices. We have known of reputable houses who have thus met farmers and obtained their supplies; but always paid the full market price.

It is this occasional action of some reckless firm, which casts a suspicion on all commission men and makes them in bad odor throughout entire neighborhoods.

Of course this farmer can get nothing more than he has got. He voluntarily sold his load, took his agreed price and went away. Some of his neighbors most likely have told him of his mistake.

It seems hardly necessary to say, never



sell produce to runners at a stipulated price, before you know that it is fully up to the market price of the goods. And yet this instance shows that room for this advice still exists as near us as Howard county.

The difficulty, however, is here. This advice does not reach the parties who are most apt to suffer. They are generally those who do not take the papers; or, if they take any paper, it is one which perhaps does not treat of home events, or post them as to city schemes.



We believe the substantial and honest dealing commission houses of Baltimore are just as anxious as the farmers to have it generally known what are the market rates for all produce, and many of them by means of postal cards and circulars issued regularly strive to keep farmers posted.

Of course they can reach only a very limited number in this way. We believe it would be to the great advantage of both the dealers in produce and the farmers to have the cards of such houses as substantial journals like the Maryland Farmer can recommend, printed in their columns. Thus farmers would feel more free to trust themselves to the dealers.

Even when circulars are received, the farmer cannot tell what is the standing of the house which issues this; but when it is endorsed by his journal, which for more than a score of years has been in his family, it carries a weight with it.

The simple card at a trifling cost, with the permitted reference to the journal, would be a kind of guarantee which would give confidence to the farmer and benefit both parties immensely.

Then the card might be accompanied with the request to send for quotations, where the house issues such.

 Renew your subscription. 

For The Maryland Farmer.

## UNITED STATES

## AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT

and

## PRACTICAL FARMING.

We hail with pleasure the announcement that the Agricultural Department have secured three hundred acres of land at Arlington for cultivation and practical experiments. We hope this will be a step towards monthly bulletins in the form of the Insect Monthly, by which every farmer's family may be posted on the best methods of work, as well as the best remedies for all troubles affecting stock and crops, and the best seed, trees and fruit for various localities. We do not have any jealousy of such a publication. We believe the good it would do will far overbalance the injury to other private Agricultural papers, such as ours.

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## FEEDING RATIONS.

Many Agricultural papers are printing a long list of feeding rations in which cotton seed meal and linseed meal figure very largely. Out of twelve different rations for milk production, one or the other of these ingredients enters every time, from two to five pounds being recommended.

The celebrated Chlotilde 2d, when she gave the greatest record ever recorded, in her grain feed of 19lbs was fed less than one pound of linseed meal, while her coarse feed was corn ensilage, carrots and hay.

We do not find roots of any kind mentioned in these twelve rations referred to above. They are behind the times in very many respects. We prefer the test of experts, as in the Chlotilde 2d case—See Maryland Farmer of Dec. 25.

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**THE FARMER'S LEAGUE.**

We invite our readers to address us with stamp, and we will send them circulars giving all information concerning this

organization, which is surely destined to be the most powerful organization in our country for the farmers' welfare. We have accepted the Vice Presidency for Maryland, solely because we believe that farmers need a non-partizan, but practical political organization, to secure their rights in the State and in the General Government.

Should any of our friends wish to hear publicly concerning the Farmer's League we will at anytime give them a Lecture on the general subject. Make your arrangements and address.

H. R. WALWORTH, V. P. for Md.,  
Md. Farmer Office, Baltimore, Md.

**DOGS AGAIN.**

The miserable curs, against which the farmers are everywhere protesting and whose existence is one of the crying curses in all parts of our land, have made their appearance in Druid Hill Park in Baltimore and are killing the deer. The park police and watchmen do their best to kill them off; but nights are dark and the deer range is wide, and the dogs have it their own way.

**POULTRY.** The first number in March will be our Poultry number for 1890. Our issue will be largely in excess of our regular edition and will reach those who are interested or becoming interested in the subject.

Advertisements in the Poultry interests will be a specialty. They will be inserted at \$1.00 an inch; and no advertisement will be accepted for less than 50c the single insertion.

We send this marked to you as an invitation to send us your advertisement for this poultry number.

### THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

We learn from the Phila. Pub. Ledger, that the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, under the newly elected President Mr. G. W. Childs, will enter upon a series of Monthly Exhibitions of plants, cut flowers, vegetables and fruits, similar to that long established by the Mass. Hort'l. Society in Boston. Its 61st year will not only be signalized by the use of the generous gift, of its superb hall from Miss Schaffer, but by this resumption of monthly exhibitions. Its prosperity is now assured, and we congratulate not only Philadelphia, but the country; for its influence will be far-reaching.

### A NEW PEST—THE GYPSY MOTH.

Gov. Brackett of Massachusetts in a message has called attention to this new source of alarm for Agriculturists. Last fall in a space  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles long and  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile wide it stripped shade trees, fruit trees and shrubbery of all their leaves. It promises more trouble than any insect pest heretofore known to the farmer.

For The Maryland Farmer.

### SPRAYING WITH ARSENIC.

Popular Gardening says; "Reports differ very widely concerning what is best and safest, Paris green or London purple. \* \* \* This is proper work for the Experimental Stations."

We do not like arsenical solutions for the spraying of fruit trees. After numerous experiments and numerous additional deaths, or injurious affections induced by the poisons, an approach to what is "safe" may be made; but safety can never be

assured by Experiment Stations or any others.

The need is for some insecticide as effective, but wholly harmless to animal life.

### AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL ASSOCIATION.

The State Association, through its President, has leased the Jockey Club rooms, Charles and Saratoga streets, and will fit them up for the use of its members.

The exposition building at Pimlico has the prospect of being fitted up also for a club resort.

Not deterred by any past experience this State Association believes in a bright future.

### BOOKS, CATALOGUES, &c.

The Tomato Catalogue of A. W. Livingston's Sons, Columbus, Ohio. Some of the very best tomatoes in market bear the name of Livingston. A Postal card will bring it.

Catalogue of warranted vegetable, flower and grain seeds, of Jas. J. H. Gregory.

Catalogue, Green's Nursery Co., Rochester, N. Y. One flowering Hydrangea, or one Niagara White Grape vine will be mailed free to all who send 10 cents for this elegant Lithographed Catalogue.

The Century, rich in everything that informs and entertains, can be had now for February. Who can afford to do without it?

Since the American Garden, N. Y., has changed its form to smaller pages and many more of them, it seems to have improved in all other respects as well.



## A CHAPTER ON BEANS.

## Three Promising Lima Beans—Dwarf Versus Pole Beans.

Three dwarf Limas the past season attracted especial attention. These were Henderson's dwarf Lima, Burpee's bush Lima and Kumerle's dwarf Lima. Mr. Carman, who believes that these beans have come to stay, sums up in a nutshell their respective merits. He says: The Henderson will be valuable for its earliness—the Kumerle as a dwarf Dreyer's Lima, and the Burpee for a large dwarf Lima. Thousands of people, those especially who have a limited garden area, do not raise pole Limas because of the trouble and expense of procuring and setting the poles. These dwarf varieties require no more space than any of the bush beans, while the pole botheration is entirely avoided.

Dwarf versus pole beans was the text on which a number of prominent horticulturists recently wrote in *Rural New Yorker*. We append some of their expressions. H. M. Engle, of Pennsylvania, said: Bush beans are preferable for early cropping and the saving of poles. Pole beans will yield larger crops. Farmers in this vicinity plant pole beans with corn and they yield fair crops with the least possible labor and expense. They are generally planted after corn is up four to six inches.

Fred Grundy, of Illinois, preferred the dwarf varieties because these are somewhat earlier than the running sorts, take up but little space in the garden and are out of the way in time for a second crop. He makes two plantings, eight to ten days apart, and thinks there is no Lima like the old large Lima.

From Kentucky, A. B. Coleman writes: I do not deem dwarf or bush beans more desirable than pole beans except in earliness, and perhaps because they can be grown with less expense and labor. I am partial to pole beans. They are more prolific, of better quality, and will bear until frost kills the vines if properly cultivated. Bush beans soon become tough and unfit for the table unless shelled, while pole beans are ever bearing.

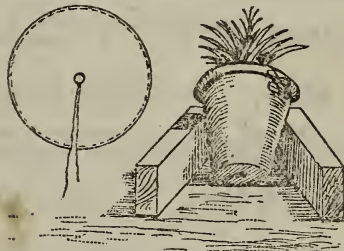
From D. Landreth & Sons, Philadelphia, came the following: We prefer bush beans to running beans, as they require less outlay in preparation. Few pole beans, however, are suitable for transforming into dwarfs, for the weight of the pods on long foot stalks will always have a tendency to extend them

down to the ground, where many will be destroyed by contact.

Mr. N. Hallock, of Queens county, N. Y., said: I prefer the dwarf bean, for it occupies less space and is easily cultivated. With it, too, there is no expense for poles, which are unsightly in a well kept garden, and, as there is no pole bean that is superior to our best bush beans, I have given up raising pole beans for family use.

## THE RED SPIDER.

The red spider, that well known and minute insect pest, which in reality belongs to the family of mites, is peculiar to dry and warm conditions of the atmosphere. It is not only troublesome on window and greenhouse plants, but often in dry weather greatly so to garden plants. The insects, generally in large numbers, attack plants when they are in a weakened state, from want of sufficient water or other causes, spinning webs over the under side of the leaves, and sucking out the sap.



## TREATMENT OF INFESTED PLANT IN POT.

Water and moisture, provided with persistence, are complete specifics. As the insects exist on the underside of the leaves, "Popular Gardening" suggests that the best way to destroy them is by repeated forcible syringing, and in the case of potted plants advises the plan as here illustrated. With garden plants there is little danger of excessive moisture at the root from syringing, but there is danger of getting too much moisture in the soil of pot plants, hence the methods of preventing this suggested by the figures in the cut. One of these shows an infested plant inclined at a convenient angle for syringing the underside of the leaves. The other represents a cloth shield having a drawstring in the edge, to be placed over the pot during the operation.

Prepare for spring work—do not allow it to find you napping. You must drive it—it must not drive you.

# GARDEN AND ORCHARD.

We call especial attention to this list of Nurserymen, Seedsmen, Florists, etc. They all issue good Catalogues and will cheerfully send you one free, if you write referring to the Maryland Farmer. We believe every one of them to be reliable.—*Editor Md. Farmer.*

**Wm. H. Moon,** Glenwood Fruit and Ornamental Nurseries. Morrisville, Pa.

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Agents Wanted.

**Wiley & Co.** General Nurserymen and Importers, Cayuga, N. Y.

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**P. J. Berckmans,** Trees, plants, etc., adapted to the South. Augusta, Ga.

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**Seed Potatoes,** Standard old, choice new varieties. A. F. Whitright, Nova, O.

**A. W. Livingston's Sons,** Specialty, New Tomatoes. Columbus, O.

For the Maryland Farmer.

## A CHANGE NECESSARY, IX.

### Quince Culture.

I have before mentioned the establishment throughout this region of country of quince orchards, the profit of them and



the prospect of continued profit in the future.

Any piece of waste land heretofore, in other portions of our country, has been favored with a quince tree, which has been allowed to have its own way without attention or care, and to live or die as it might happen.

That the fruit has been often small worm eaten, knotty, is not a wonder. The wonder is that it has ever found a market under the circumstances. Yet it is bought up at good prices—yes, very large prices.

My advice to my fellow farmers is that they pick out a fair piece of orchard land this spring for a quince orchard.

Go to your nurseryman—several are now advertising in the Maryland Farmer—and secure what the nurseryman believes to be the best and most prolific quince. Or, write, if it is not convenient to visit the nursery.

The quinces which I like best are the Old Orange quince, the Meech and the Champion. But either of these or a selection of all of them may be depended upon as good producers and favorites with purchasers.

Set them out twenty feet apart each way about as follows:

Dig a generous sized hole about two feet deep—a foot and a half would answer—and fill in with good garden soil with old rotted manure or hard wood ashes.

Any manure used should not come in contact with the roots of the trees. It should be thoroughly mingled with the soil. Shovel it together until it is one mass of fine mould.

If any of the roots are broken cut the ends of them off smooth with a sharp knife. Trim off or shorten in the branches. Dip the roots in mud made of the above soil. Spread them out as well as you can in the hole and draw some of the fine earth over them. Fill in and press down

solid. Pour a pail of water around the young tree and let it soak in thoroughly; then place the remainder of the soil around the tree, having it two or three inches deeper than it stood in the nursery.

When you are setting out an orchard it is best to do it well. It is intended to last a life time. A little care given to it then is of more importance than at any future time. Don't slight the work because things are not handy and it will be a little trouble to get them.

If you can have a few boards four or five feet long sharpened at one end to put on the south side of the tree to shield it from the sun in the hottest part of the day it will be an advantage; but it is not a necessity.

The trees to be set out are two or three years old in the nursery. They will be from three to six years coming into bearing. Do not get impatient if you are told three years, and then you have to wait longer. These things are always in order; you better expect them.

After they commence bearing, you have one more permanent crop which will lighten your labor in the years to come.

While the quince trees are growing the ground should be cultivated and may be manured and planted to some low crop. The young tree will not shade the ground, and the crop will not draw from the trees.

Plant a quince orchard this spring. The trees are sure to grow and you will never regret doing it.

CHAPMAN.

#### ONE THING AT A TIME.

"Early in life," relates a gentleman who has now spent many decades in the service of God and his fellow-man, "I learned from a very simple incident a wholesome lesson, and one which has since been of incalculable benefit to me.





"When I was between twelve and fourteen years old, my father broke up a new field on his farm, and planted it with potatoes, and, when the plants were two or three inches high, he sent me to hoe it.

The ground of that piece was hard to till, it was matted with grass roots and sprinkled with stones. I hoed the first row, and then stopped to take a general look at the task before me. Grass as high as the potatoes was everywhere; and, looking at the whole from any point, it appeared to be a solid mass. I had the work to do all alone; and, as I stood staring at the broad reach of weedy soil, I felt a good mind not to try to do anything further then with it.

"Just at that minute I happened to look down at the hill nearest my feet. The grass didn't seem quite as thick there, and I said to myself, 'I can hoe this one well enough.'

"When it was done, another thought came to help me: I shan't have to hoe but one hill at a time, at any rate.

"And so I went to the next and next. But there I stopped again, and looked over the field. That gave me another thought, too. I could hoe every hill as I came to it: it was only looking away off to all the hills that made the whole seem impossible.

"I won't look at it!" I said; and I pulled my hat over my eyes so I could see nothing but the spot where my hoe had to dig.

"In course of time I had gone over the whole field, looking only at the hill in hand, and my work was done.

"I learned a lesson tugging away at those grass roots which I never forgot. It was to look right down to the one thing to be done now, and not hinder or discourage myself by looking off at the things I haven't come to. I've been working ever since that summer at the hill nearest my feet, and I

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have always found it the easiest way to get a hard task accomplished, as it is the true way to prepare a field for the harvest."—*Southern Presbyterian.*

#### OVERREACHED HIMSELF.

English railways have the very sensible rule that passengers are not allowed to stand in the cars, if any one objects thereto.

The following incident of recent occurrence shows that it does not always pay to insist too strongly on one's rights:—

"Will you kindly allow me to stand?" asked a gentleman as he got into a railway carriage, which carriage already contained the specified number.

"Certainly not, sir!" exclaimed a passenger occupying a corner seat near the door. "The way these trains are overcrowded is shameful!"

"As you appear to be the only person who objects to my presence," replied the gentleman, "I shall remain where I am."

"Then I shall call the guard, and have you removed, sir."

Snitting the action to the word, the aggrieved passenger rose, and, putting his head out of the window, vociferously demanded the guard. The new-comer saw his opportunity, and quietly slipped into the corner seat.

"One over the number," said the new-comer to the guard, coolly.

"You must come out, sir! The train's going on. And, without waiting for fur-

ther explanation, the guard pulled out the aggrieved passenger, who was left wildly gesticulating on the platform.

The story shows that rudeness begets rudeness and that justice when it technically gets hold of the wrong man sometimes gets the man who most deserves punishment.

#### PLEASANTRIES.

One swallow doesn't make a summer; but one grasshopper makes a great many springs.

"I'd rather be a wild turkey and live on the prairie," said a little boy, "than be a tame turkey and be killed every year."

Little Mabel: Mamma, may I have something to eat?

Mother: (impatiently): "Yes: take that piece of cake, and don't open your mouth again!"

Rural Minister: "The brothers whose duty it is to pass the plate are not here today. Would you object to taking up the collection?"

Modest Worshipper: "I never passed the plate in church in my life, and I'm afraid I'd be rather awkward."

Rural Minister: "Oh, never mind that, it won't be noticed. Most of my congregation become absorbed in their hymn-books about the time the plate goes 'round."

#### THE PEONY

A sturdy maid—  
 Plunged hands upon her hip  
 While thrusting back,  
 And laughing, scarlet lips  
 Full bodice laced  
 With kerchief well tucked in—  
 Smile for each lad,  
 A kiss, perhaps, no sin!  
 Plain speech or tough,  
 No empty flattery—  
 But wholesome heart—  
 That is the Peony!

*Margaret Deland in THE CENTURY*

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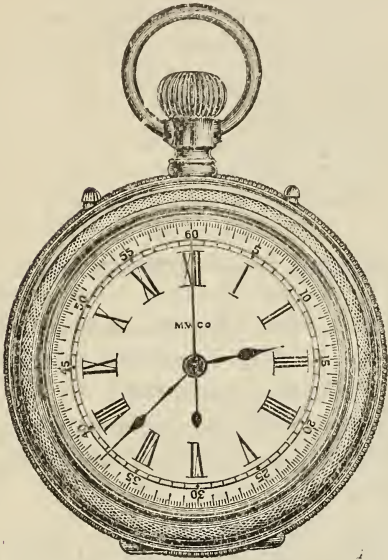
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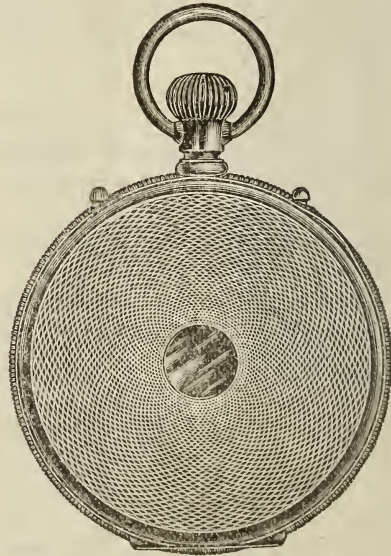
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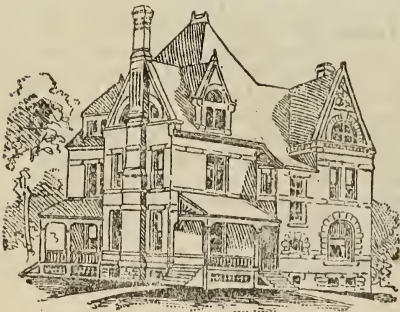
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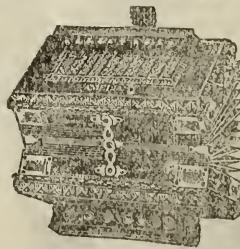
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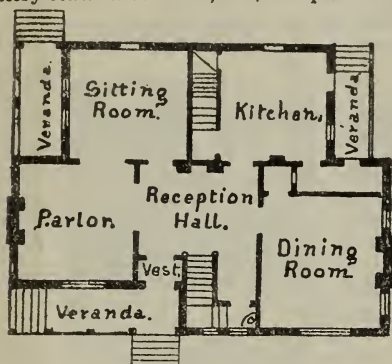
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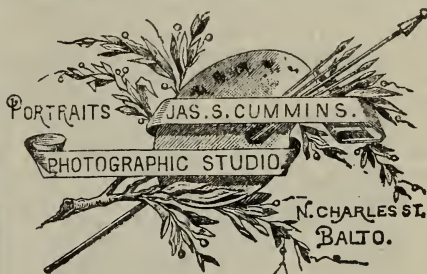
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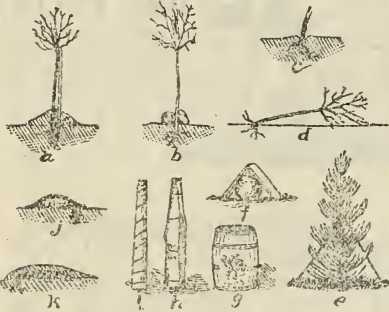
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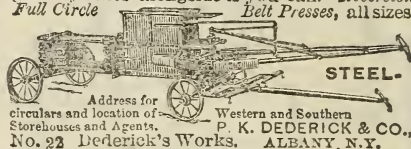
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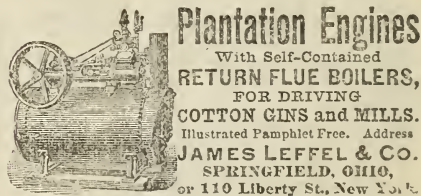
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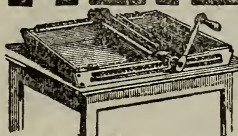
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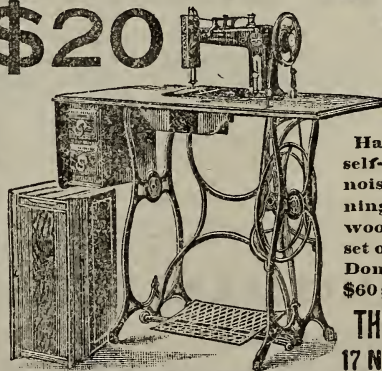
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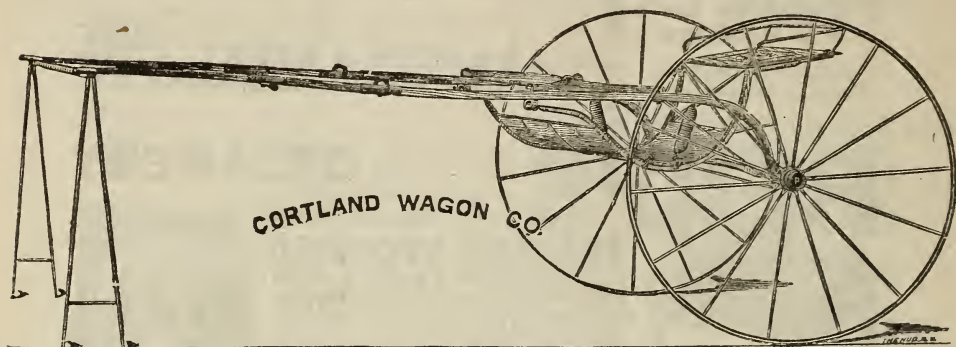
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